

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: By Chairman John Sinrud, on March 21, 2007 at 8:11 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. John Sinrud, Chairman (R)
Rep. Eve Franklin, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Janna Taylor, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Bill Beck (R)
Rep. Tim Callahan (D)
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
Rep. Ray Hawk (R)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)
Rep. Joey Jayne (D)
Rep. Dave Kasten (R)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)
Rep. John L. Musgrove (D)
Rep. Rick Ripley (R)
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)
Rep. Jack Wells (R)
Rep. Craig Witte (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Edith Clark (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Linda Keim, Committee Secretary
Jon Moe, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 798, HB 802, 3/16/2007
Executive Action: HB 19, HB 160, HB 236, HB 278, HB 315, HB 343

HEARING ON HB 798

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:56 Rep. Carol Lambert (R), HD 39, opened the hearing on HB 798, Revise energy impact funding for natural resource development and cessation.

EXHIBIT (aph60a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:28 William Duffield, Executive Director, Montana Association of Oil, Gas and Coal Counties

EXHIBIT (aph60a02)

00:17:12 Sen. Keith Bales, SD 20

EXHIBIT (aph60a03)

00:22:47 Rep. Veronica Small-Eastman, HD 42

00:23:58 Richard Dunbar, Commissioner, Phillips County; President, Montana Association of Oil, Gas and Coal Counties

EXHIBIT (aph60a04)

00:25:39 Don McDowell, Commissioner, Powder River County

00:27:06 Troy Blunt, Commissioner, Phillips County

00:27:21 Don Reger, Commissioner, Fallon County

EXHIBIT (aph60a05)

00:29:04 Chad Fenner, Commissioner, Big Horn County

00:29:31 Bret Smelser, Commissioner, Sidney

00:31:37 Gary McDonald, Commissioner, Roosevelt County

00:32:59 Rhonda Wiggers, County Treasurers

00:34:15 Rep. Wayne Stahl, HD 35

00:35:12 Harold Blattie, Executive Director, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:38:26 Dave Galt, Montana Petroleum Association

00:38:48 Bob Gilbert, Rosebud County

00:40:34 Gary Amestoy, Richland County Economic Development Corporation; also speaking for Mark Reybein, Commissioner, Richland County

00:42:02 Tom Ebzery, Devon Energy; Vance Petroleum

00:43:55 Bud Clinch, Montana Coal Council

00:44:07 Gary Forrester, MDU Resources, former legislator

00:44:30 Todd O'Hair, Rio Tinto Energy

00:45:13 Don Allen, Western Environmental Trade Association; also representing Steve Wade, Great Northern Properties

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:46:15 Rep. Kasten
00:47:18 Mr. Duffield
00:49:09 Rep. Sesso
00:51:23 Rep. Lambert

Closing by Sponsor:

00:51:43 Rep. Lambert

HEARING ON HB 802

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:53:57 Rep. Elsie Arntzen (R), HD 53, opened the hearing on HB 802, Revise funding for community mental health and crisis services.

EXHIBIT (aph60a06)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:58:09 Joan Dailey, Director, Psychiatric Services, Billings Clinic; Community Crisis Center
01:09:35 Jani McCall, Billings Clinic; also representing Mike Foster, Sisters of Charity Hospitals
01:14:26 Kathy McGowan, Community Mental Health Centers; Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association; County Attorneys Association
01:18:05 Anita Roessmann, Montana Advocacy Association
01:20:26 Beda Lovett, Montana Psychiatric Association; Montana Medical Association
01:21:30 Sheryl Wood, Associate Director, MACo
01:21:50 Jani McCall, Montana Hospital Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:22:14 Rep. Morgan
01:23:55 Ms. Roessmann
01:25:07 Rep. Morgan
01:25:46 Ms. McCall
01:26:38 Rep. Morgan
01:27:21 Rep. Arntzen
01:27:36 Rep. Morgan
01:28:09 Rep. Arntzen

01:28:35 Rep. Morgan
01:28:57 Rep. Arntzen
01:29:27 Rep. Franklin
01:38:28 Ms. Dailey
01:39:26 Rep. Beck
01:46:05 Ms. Dailey

Closing by Sponsor:

01:47:40 Rep. Arntzen

01:49:21 Break
02:31:17 Resume

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 19

02:31:51 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved **HB 19 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

02:32:20 Rep. Musgrove
02:32:52 Rep. Ripley
02:33:18 Rep. Taylor
02:33:28 Rep. Musgrove
02:34:04 Rep. Morgan

02:34:23 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved **TO AMEND.**
EXHIBIT (aph60a07)

Discussion:

02:35:33 Mr. Moe
02:36:18 Rep. Kasten
02:37:05 Rep. Ripley
02:37:19 Rep. Taylor
02:38:07 Rep. Ripley
02:38:58 Rep. Musgrove
02:39:21 Rep. Ripley
02:39:37 Rep. Sinrud
02:39:43 Rep. Musgrove

02:39:54 **Vote:** Motion carried 19-0 by voice vote. Rep. Clark
and Rep. Callahan voted by proxy.

02:40:08 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved **HB 19 AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

02:40:29 Rep. Taylor
02:40:39 Rep. Sinrud
02:40:42 Krista Lee Evans

02:42:50 **Vote:** Motion carried 19-0 by roll call vote. Rep. Clark and Rep. Callahan voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 160

02:44:08 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved **HB 160 DO PASS.**

02:44:23 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved **TO AMEND.**
EXHIBIT (aph60a08)

Discussion:

02:45:27 Rep. Musgrove
02:46:35 Rep. Taylor
02:46:42 Rep. Musgrove

02:47:21 **Vote:** Motion carried 19-0 by voice vote. Rep. Clark and Rep. Callahan voted by proxy.

02:47:48 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved **HB 160 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

02:48:09 Rep. Ripley
02:48:36 Rep. Witte
02:48:49 Rep. Musgrove
02:49:27 Rep. Sinrud
02:52:23 Rep. Musgrove

02:52:54 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved **TO TABLE HB 160.** Motion carried 10-9 by roll call vote, with Rep. Franklin, Rep. Jayne, Rep. Callahan, Rep. Ripley, Rep. Hiner, Rep. McChesney, Rep. Hollenbaugh, Rep. Sesso, and Rep. Musgrove voted no. Rep. Clark and Rep. Callahan voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 236

02:55:15 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Wells moved **TO TABLE HB 236.** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote, with Rep. Franklin, Rep. Jayne, Rep. Callahan, Rep. Hiner, Rep. McChesney, Rep. Sesso, and Rep. Musgrove voting no. Rep. Callahan and Rep. Clark voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 278

02:57:12 **Motion:** Rep. Hiner moved **HB 278 DO PASS.**

02:57:52 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Taylor moved **TO AMEND.** Motion carried 19-0 by voice vote. Rep. Callahan and Rep. Clark voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT (aph60a09)

02:59:24 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hiner moved **HB 278 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 19-0 by roll call vote, with Rep. Callahan and Rep. Clark voting by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 315

03:00:54 **Motion:** Rep. Wells moved **HB 315 DO PASS.**

03:00:59 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Sesso moved **TO TABLE.** Motion failed 8-11 by roll call vote, with Rep. Franklin, Rep. Jayne, Rep. Callahan, Rep. Hiner, Rep. McChesney, Rep. Hollenbaugh, Rep. Sesso, and Rep. Musgrove voting no. Rep. Callahan and Rep. Clark voted by proxy.

03:01:45 **Motion:** Rep. Taylor moved **TO AMEND.**

EXHIBIT (aph60a10)

Discussion:

00:00:10 Rep. Sinrud
00:01:25 Mr. Moe
00:01:45 Rep. Jayne
00:02:02 Mr. Moe
00:02:45 Rep. Sesso
00:03:34 Mr. Moe
00:03:49 Rep. Sesso
00:04:53 Rep. Wells
00:06:22 Rep. Franklin
00:06:40 Mr. Moe
00:07:43 Rep. Witte
00:08:31 Mr. Moe
00:08:55 Rep. Sinrud

00:10:06 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote, with Rep. Franklin, Rep. Jayne, Rep. Callahan, Rep. Hiner, Rep. McChesney, Rep. Hollenbaugh, Rep. Sesso, and Rep. Musgrove voting no. Rep. Callahan and Rep. Clark voted by proxy.

00:11:11 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Wells moved **HB 315 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote, with Rep. Franklin, Rep. Jayne, Rep. Callahan, Rep. Hiner, Rep. McChesney, Rep. Hollenbaugh, Rep. Sesso, and Rep. Musgrove voting no. Rep. Clark and Rep. Musgrove voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 343

Motion: Rep. Ripley moved **HB 343 DO PASS**.

00:13:27 **Motion:** Rep. Ripley moved **TO AMEND**.
EXHIBIT (aph60a11)

Discussion:

00:13:27 Rep. Ripley
00:14:19 Rep. McChesney
00:14:33 Rep. Ripley
00:15:06 Rep. Jayne
00:16:26 Rep. Ripley
00:16:36 Rep. Sesso
00:18:11 Rep. Ripley
00:19:17 Rep. Jayne
00:20:20 Rep. Ripley
00:20:48 Rep. Jayne
00:21:47 Rep. Ripley
00:21:59 Rep. Morgan

00:23:15 Rep. Ripley **WITHDREW THE AMENDMENT**.

00:23:59 Rep. Sesso
00:25:50 Rep. Morgan
00:25:54 Rep. Ripley
00:26:26 Rep. Morgan
00:26:32 Rep. Sinrud

00:27:58 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-7 by roll call vote, with Rep. Franklin, Rep. Jayne, Rep. Callahan, Rep. Hollenbaugh, Rep. Sesso, Rep. Musgrove, and Rep. Kasten voting no. Rep. Franklin and Rep. Clark voted by proxy.

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT (aph60a12)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:42 A.M.

REP. JOHN SINRUD, Chairman

LINDA KEIM, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([aph60aad.pdf](#))